

Notification from the Emergency Response Unit (ERU) (114) Further Declaration Related to ERU Notification 112

Regarding the notification from the Emergency Response Unit 112 ("Students calling police to campus") issued on 3 September, the University solemnly declares the following:

- 1. This incident involved law enforcement officers entering the University. The University must be open and honest about the incident and explain the cause of the incident by stating objective facts to dispel any doubts in the University community.
- 2. The University did not disclose the identities of the students involved, nor did it link the incident to any student organisation. There is no justification for speculating otherwise.
- 3. A group of students stayed and gathered on campus until late at night without authorisation. At least one got drunk and fell unconscious. This behaviour already constitutes suspected serious violations of the Code of Student Conduct.
- 4. The University respects students' right to express themselves in a peaceful and rational way, but the students must abide by the regulations of the University. Unreasonable speculation and verbal bullying by a small group of people is unacceptable and does not represent the vast majority of CityU students.
- 5. This particular incident has aroused concern among the public, staff, students and alumni. The University is establishing an investigation committee to look into the incident and conduct a thorough review of the matters related to the use of student activity rooms.

We reiterate that the University is a place for the pursuit of knowledge. We expect students to be self-respecting and act as decent citizens. They should comply with the Code of Student Conduct, maintain campus order and discipline, and safeguard the reputation of the University.

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